SIERRA NEVADA CONSERVANCY

PUBLIC FORUM

Thursday, July 28, 2005 6:00 p.m. Elks Lodge, 100 Elk Drive Sonora, California

California Secretary for Resources Mike Chrisman, and Mariposa County Supervisor Lee Stetson, invite you to an open community forum about the Sierra Nevada Conservancy. This newly established state agency is designed to work with local governments, tribal organizations, non-profit groups, and interested parties to:

- Provide increased opportunities for tourism and recreation
- Protect, conserve, and restore the the region's physical, cultural, archaeological, historical, and living resources
- Aid in the preservation of working landscapes
- Reduce the risk of natural disaster such as wildfires
- Protect and improve water and air quality
- Assist the regional economy through the operation of the Conservancy's program
- Identify the highest priority projects and initiatives for which funding is needed
- Undertake efforts to enhance public use and enjoyment of lands owned by the public
- Support efforts that advance both environmental preservation and the economic well-being of Sierra residents in a complementary manner

This is the first of six sub-regional forums that will be held throughout the Sierra. Your participation will help ensure that this newly formed state agency effectively addresses needs in your community and region.

For more information, contact Ray Lacey at (530) 543-6038.

Please join us as we initiate dialogue on the future of the Sierra!